

General Assembly

Raised Bill No. 94

February Session, 2014

LCO No. 1046



Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by: (GAE)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE PUBLICATION OF MUNICIPAL LEGAL NOTICES IN NEWSPAPERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. Section 1-2 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2014*):
- 3 (a) Each provision of the general statutes, the special acts or the
- 4 charter of any town, city or borough which requires the insertion of an
- 5 advertisement of a legal notice in a daily newspaper shall be construed
- 6 to permit such advertisement to be inserted in a weekly newspaper;
- 7 but this section shall not be construed to reduce or otherwise affect the
- 8 time required by law for giving such notice. Whenever notice of any
- 9 action or other proceeding is required to be given by publication in a
- 10 newspaper, either by statute or order of court, the newspaper selected
- 11 for that purpose, unless otherwise expressly prescribed, shall be one
- 12 having a substantial circulation in the town in which at least one of the
- parties, for whose benefit such notice is given, resides.

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14 (b) Each provision of the general statutes, the special acts or the 15 charter of any town, city or borough which requires the insertion of an advertisement of a legal notice by a town, city or borough shall be 16 17 construed to permit a description of such advertisement containing a 18 brief summary of the matter being noticed and a reference to the 19 town's, city's or borough's Internet web site for additional information to be published in lieu of the full legal notice. Such additional 20 21 information, including, but not limited to, any information otherwise 22 required to be published in such legal notice, shall be posted in a 23 conspicuous place on such web site.

| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following | | |
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| sections: | | |
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| Section 1 | October 1, 2014 | 1-2 |

Statement of Purpose:

To reduce newspaper public notice requirements for municipalities.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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